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4. Fritz Hartmann is no longer Chief of the Main Department for Planning and Statistics. [redacted]ent is headed by Harry Schwager (SED). He is assisted by [redacted]). Hartmann is to be the East German Trade Representat[redacted] for two years. 25X1

5. Erich Renneisen, formerly the chief of the Main Department for Finance and Monetary Standard [redacted]

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7. Huettenrauch[redacted] capacity as State Secretary for Trade Polic[redacted] is Dieter Butters. Huettenrauch's deputy for Handelspolitik is Gerhardt Weiss (SED). The chief of the Department for the USSR is Horst Bittner, who is presently in Moscow with a delegation. The former chief of the De[redacted] Alois Gruemis, has been [redacted] formerly chief of several [redacted] Peiping for two years [redacted] n Trade Representa[redacted]. Tilp (fnu) is no longer the head of the [redacted]erat Poland. Fritz Densow has [redacted] as head of the Hauptreferat Czechoslovakia.

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8. The chief of the Department for Schooling is Benno Stassen. His deputy is Graumann (fnu).

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10. The Office for Customs and Control of Freight Traffic (AZKW) is located at Luisen Strasse 46. This is not an integral but a subordinate office. The chief of the AZKW is Toni Roh.

11. Huettenrauch's secretary is Mrs. Hanna Kuennicke. Mrs. Deppe (fnu) was discharged long ago. His second secretary is Miss Juwick (fnu). Kuennicke's husband is a high officer in the KVP.

12. The Korean section is part of the Department for China. The Chief of this department is Ackermann (fnu). Others in this office are Kattner (fnu), Berlin (fnu) and Zimmermann (fnu). The chief of the Korean section is Siegel (fnu). His secretary is Miss Ursula Poppe. Another employee is Mrs. Gertrude Wilki. Both women are SED members.

13. There is no longer a Department for Poland and Czechoslovakia. The two countries are now handled separately. The chief of the Section for Poland was not known; Kybert (fnu) is an official in this section. Miss Erica Teich is a secretary; Hahn (fnu) is an employee.

14. Mrs. Elfriede Wagner, an active Party member, who was formerly Party Secretary for the entire Ministry, now heads the Bulgarian section. Mrs. Charlotte Kloss, formerly chief of the Albanian section [redacted] 25X1

15. Hans Volk, the former chief of the Main Department for Trade with the Capitalist Countries was dismissed and allegedly sent to a production job. He was replaced by Herbert Meyer, whose deputy is Elfriede Wolter, also an SED member.

16. Holland, Denmark, Norway and Iceland are now handled by the same section. The chief of this section is Holmalen (fnu). The chief of the France and Belgium section is Horst Kretschmann. His assistant is Mrs. Merte Rauch.

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17. The Special Representative (Sonderbeauftragter) for the Middle East is Fritz Koch. [redacted] 25X1

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